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### COMPLETE SPECIFICATION.

#### An Improved Appliance for Preventing Stooping.

I, NELLIE LEE, Trained Nurse, of 31, Silchester Road St. Leonards-on-Sea, do hereby declare the nature of this invention, and in what manner the same is to be performed, to be particularly described and ascertained in and by the following statement:—

5 This invention for an improved appliance for preventing stooping has for its object to provide an appliance which can be worn without discomfort and which is at the same time effective for preventing stooping. This appliance takes up very little room and can be worn comfortably underneath the clothing and no indication of its use can then be seen.

10 In order that this invention may be more clearly described reference is had to the accompanying drawing on which

Fig. 1 shows a general view of the appliance,

Fig. 2 is a front view showing the appliance in use and

Fig. 3 is a back view.

15 The appliance is composed of two main portions A A shaped somewhat as shown. The upper portions A<sup>1</sup> A<sup>1</sup> form straps for passing over the shoulders and enclose holes B through which the arms of the wearer can be passed. The two portions A A are connected by a lace C passed through eyelets *a a* by which the distance between the two portions A A can be varied as required. The lower  
20 end A<sup>2</sup> is fitted with a buckle by which the end A<sup>3</sup> can be secured to it when the appliance is in position on the person.

In using this appliance the portions A<sup>1</sup> are placed over the shoulders and the arms passed through the holes B B. The portions A A are crossed at the back as shown in Fig. 3 and are then brought to the front under the arms and the  
25 end A<sup>3</sup> and buckle A<sup>2</sup> secured together.

The two portions are preferably drawn together as tightly as possible so as to restrain any tendency to stooping of the wearer. When first worn it should be arranged to exert only a gentle effect and then by tightening the buckle fastening and by drawing in the tape C the restraining effect can be increased.

30 This appliance will serve to gradually overcome the stooping or if worn in time will keep a straight back.

This appliance should be worn under the clothing and there is then no indication that it is being worn. It is also comfortable in wear and can be worn without any inconvenience. It should be preferably made of washing material such as  
35 linen or calico but may be of any desired material.

Having now particularly described and ascertained the nature of my said invention, and in what manner the same is to be performed, I declare that what I claim is;—

(1) An improved appliance for preventing stooping consisting of two portions  
40 adapted to fit over the shoulders, connected together at the back and adapted to be crossed at the back and passed under the arm, and secured together at the front, substantially as described.

[Price 8d.]

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*Lee's Improved Appliance for Preventing Stooping.*

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(2) An improved appliance for preventing stooping consisting of two portions A A having shoulder straps A<sup>1</sup> A<sup>1</sup>, and holes B through which the arms can be passed, lace C passed through eyelets *a* and buckle A<sup>2</sup> to which the end A<sup>3</sup> can be attached all arranged substantially as described with reference to the drawings.

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Fig. 1.

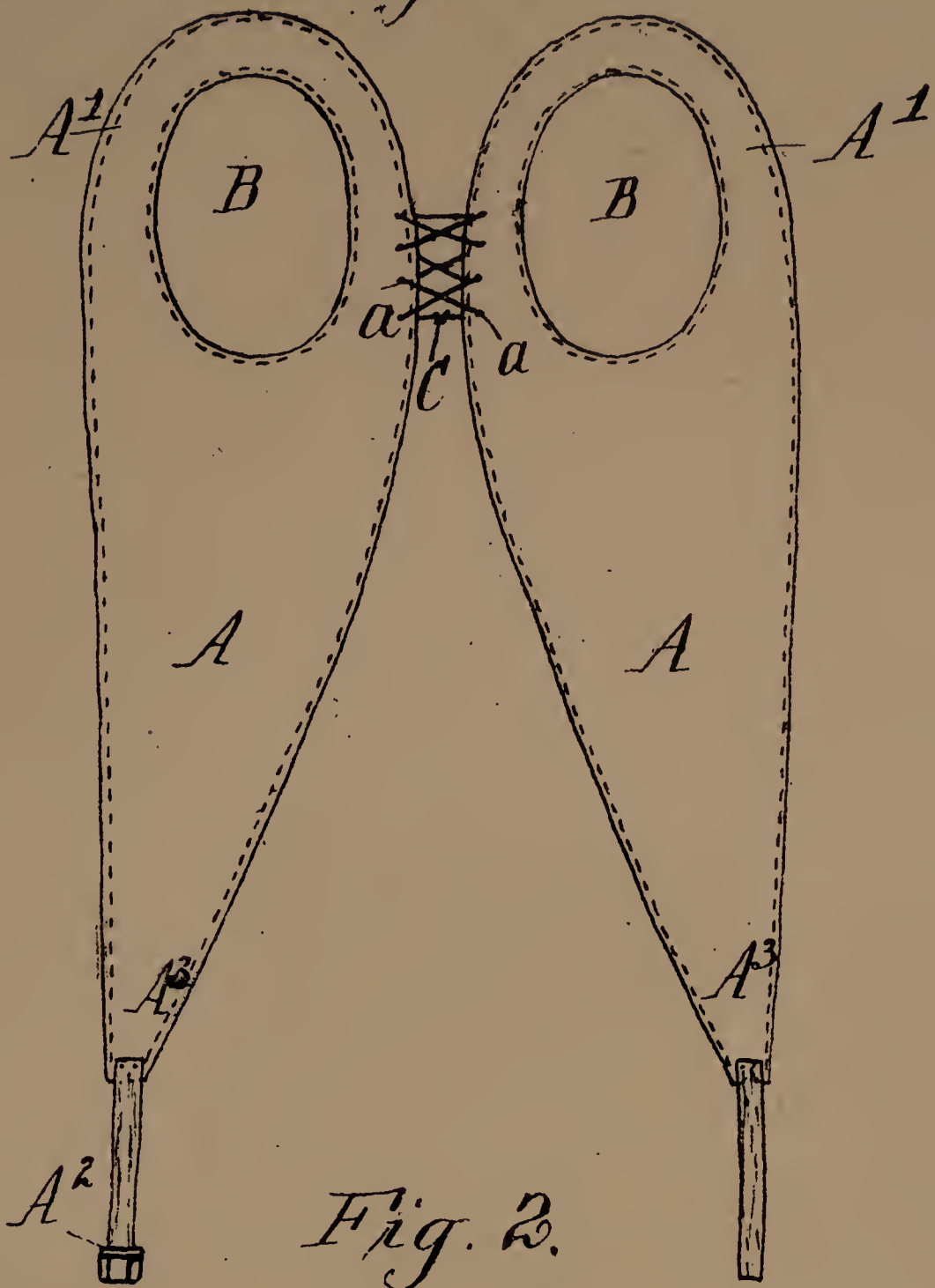


Fig. 2.

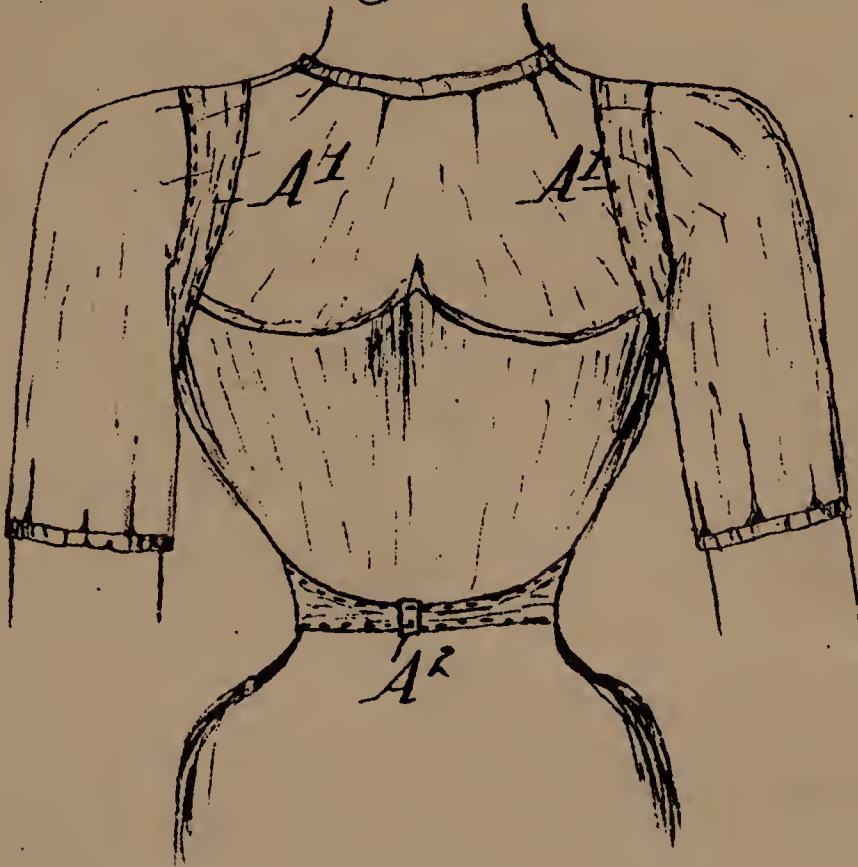


Fig. 3.



[This Drawing is a reproduction of the Original on a reduced scale]

